

George Washington, President of the United States of America To all to whom these presents shall come greeting: Whereas a Treaty between the United States and the Nation of Indians denominated themselves the Seven Nations of Canada was made and concluded on at the City of New York on the 31st day of May 1796 by Abraham Ogden Commissioner appointed under the authority of the United States to hold the Treaty, Onawaio alias Good Stream, Tcharagawagen alias Thomas Williams two Chiefs of the Caghnavagas, Miatoharonguan alias Colonel Lewis Cook a Chief of the St. Regis Indians and William Gray Deputies authorized to represent these seven Nations or Tribes of Indians at the Treaty and M. Gray serving also as Interpreter — Egbert Benson, Richard Harick and James Watson Agents for the State of New York — William Constable and Daniel McCormick Purchasers under Alexander Macomb in the words following —

A Treaty held at the City of New York with the Nations or Tribes of Indians denominated themselves The Seven Nations of Canada — Abraham Ogden Commissioner appointed under the authority of the United States to hold the Treaty — Onawaio, alias Good Stream, Tcharagawagen alias Thomas Williams two Chiefs of the Caghnavagas Miatoharonguan, alias Colonel Lewis Cook a Chief of the St. Regis Indians and William Gray Deputies authorized to represent these seven Nations or Tribes of Indians at the Treaty and M. Gray serving also as Interpreter — Egbert Benson, Richard Harick and James Watson Agents for the State of New York — William Constable and Daniel McCormick Purchasers under Alexander Macomb.

The Agents for the State having in the presence and with the approbation of the Commissioner proposed to the Deputies for the Indians the compensation herein after mentioned for the extinguishment of their claim to all Lands within the State, and the said Deputies being willing to accept the same It is thereupon granted, agreed and concluded between the said Deputies and the said Agents as follows — The said Deputies do for and in the name of the said Seven Nations or Tribes of Indians, cede, release and quit claim to The People of the State of New York forever All the Claim, Right or Title of them the said Seven Nations or Tribes of Indians to Lands within the said State Provided nevertheless that the Tract equal to six miles square reserved in the Sale made by the Commissioners of the Land Office of the said State to Alexander Macomb to be applied to the Use of the Indians of the Village of St. Regis shall still remain so reserved — The said Agents do for and in the Name of The People of the State of New York grant to the said Seven Nations or Tribes of Indians that the People of the State of New York shall pay to them at the Mouth of the River Chazy on Lake Champlain on the third Monday in August next the Sum of One thousand two hundred and thirty three Pounds, six shillings and eight pence and the further Sum of two hundred and thirteen Pounds six shillings and eight pence lawful money of the said State and on the third Monday in August yearly for ever thereafter the like Sum of two hundred and thirteen Pounds six shillings and eight pence Provided nevertheless that The People of the State of New York shall not be held to pay the said Sums unless in respect to the two Sums to be paid on the third Monday in August next at least Twenty Deputies to receive and to give Receipts for the same — The said Deputies having suggested that the Indians of the Village of St. Regis have built a Mill on Salmon River and another on Grasp River And that the Meadows on Grasp River are necessary to them for Hay in order therefore to secure to the Indians of the said Village the Use of the said Mills and Meadows in case they should hereafter appear not to be included within the above Tract so to remain reserved It is therefore also agreed and concluded between the said Deputies the said Agents and the said William Constable and Daniel McCormick —

for themselves and their associates Purchasers under the said Alexander Macomb of the adjacent Lands that there shall be reserved to be applied to the Use of the Indians of the said Village of St. Regis in like manner as the said Tract is to remain reserved a Tract of one mile square at each of the said Mills and the Meadows on both sides of the said Grasp River from the said Mill thereon to its confluence with the River St. Lawrence.

Signed, Sealed and delivered
in the presence of

Samuel Jones Recorder of the City of New York
John Taylor Recorder of the City of Albany
Leopold Hoffman Attorney General of the State of New York

In Testimony whereof the said Commissioner, the said Deputies the said Agents and the said William Constable and Daniel McCormick have hereunto and to two other acts of the same Tenor and date one to remain with the United States, another to remain with the State of New York and another to remain with the said Seven Nations or Tribes of Indians, set their hands and seals in the City of New York the thirty first day of May in the twentieth Year of the Independence of the United States — One thousand seven hundred and ninety six.

Abm. Ogden
his mark
Onawaio alias Good Stream
his mark
Miatoharonguan alias Colonel Lewis Cook
his mark
William Gray
Tcharagawagen alias Thomas Williams
his mark

Egbert Benson
Richard Harick
James Watson
W. Constable
Daniel McCormick

Now Know Ye, that I having seen and considered the said Treaty do by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of the United States accept, ratify and confirm the same and every part and clause thereof. In Testimony whereof I have caused the Seal of the United States to be hereunto affixed and signed the same with my hand

Given in the City of Philadelphia this thirty first day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety seven and in the Twenty first Year of the Sovereignty and Independence of the United States.



George Washington
By the President
Timothy Pickens, Secretary of State

Treaty with the
Seven Nations of Canada
concluded at Wapiti N May
1796

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